Library Books on Your Kindle®

Checking out an OverDrive[©] library book and putting it on your Kindle

- 1. Go to Amazon.com and Log In, you will need your password and user name to get books on to your Kindle
- 2. Open another browser tab/window and go to www.louisville-library.org
- 3. Click the **Downloadable Items** link on the left side
- 4. Click the **Sign In** button in the upper right-hand corner of the OverDrive webpage
- 5. Select Louisville Public Library from the dropdown menu and enter library card (ie D0505*****)
- 6. Begin browsing, enter a title, author, or subject in the search box at the top right and hit Enter
- 7. Find a book and click on the cover picture. A button will appear that says either 'Borrow' or 'Place a Hold'

a. If you click 'Borrow':

- i. OverDrive will bring you to your digital Bookshelf
- ii. When you click the Download button next to your title, a dropdown menu will appear
- iii. Choose **Kindle** then **Confirm & Download** (<u>NOTE</u>: Some books require transfer to Kindle via USB. This message says "Use on: Kindles and free Kindle apps *via USB only*)
- iv. The Amazon webpage will open to your account
- v. On the right side of the page, choose the Kindle you would like to deliver the book to and click the yellow **Get Library Book** button, the book will deliver through WiFi
 - 1. The book will automatically deliver to your Kindle when connected to WiFi
 - 2. Or choose **Transfer via Computer** you will need your USB cable, skip down to the *USB Transfer to Kindle instructions* below

b. If you click 'Place a Hold'

- i. Type in an email address that you check often, OverDrive will email you when it is available and you only have two days to check the book out after they send the email
- ii. Click Place a Hold

Wireless Transfer to your Kindle [If Amazon doesn't automatically deliver to your Kindle]

- 1. Amazon will ask you to choose the device you are sending the book to
 - a. If this page does not appear after you log in, click on **Manage your Kindle** in the top right and use the **Action** button next to the title
 - b. Click **Deliver to my...** and choose a Kindle
 - c. Click the yellow **Deliver** button
- 2. Choose the Kindle you want the book on
- 3. If the book is not showing up on your Kindle, go to your **Menu** (List) and click **Sync and Check for Items**, this will check to see if your Kindle is connected to the Internet and look for any new deliveries
- 4. If you do not have WiFi, or are having difficulty, try to transfer the book with your USB cable

USB Transfer to Kindle

- 1. Choose Transfer via Computer and click Get Library Book
- 2. Choose which Kindle and click Continue
- 3. Connect your USB cable
- 4. Follow instructions, choose **Save File** and click **OK** when the download window pops up
- 5. The file will download to your designated download folder (you can close the Downloads box)
- 6. Plug in your Kindle
- 7. Open the Kindle window and your Downloads folder, copy/drag the .azw file from your Downloads folder to the **Documents folder** of your Kindle
- 8. Safely remove your Kindle

TIP

All of your library eBooks and your purchased eBooks will be managed through the 'Manage Your Kindle' button in your Amazon account.

If you put a book on hold & you received an email that your book is ready to check out

- Go to Amazon.com and Log In, you will need your password and user name to get books on to your Kindle
- 2. Open another browser tab/window and go to www.louisville-library.org
- 3. Click the **Downloadable Library** link
- 4. Click the **Login** button in the upper right-hand corner of the OverDrive webpage
- 5. Select Louisville Public Library from the dropdown menu and enter library card (i.e., D0505*****)
- 6. Click **Account** near the upper right, then click **Holds** in the left side menu
- 7. Your titles will appear on the left
- 8. Complete **step 7a** on the other side of this sheet

To Return Your Kindle Library Books

- 1. Go to Amazon .com and Log in
- 2. Scroll over **Your Account** in the upper right corner
- 3. Click on **Manage Your Kindle** in the dropdown menu
- 4. Your list of digital content will appear, your library books will be noted as library books
- 5. On the right side, click on the dropdown **Actions** button
- 6. Click on the words **Return this book**
- 7. Click the **Yes** button to confirm
- 8. The title will remain in your list as a reading log (unless you click **Actions** again, and then **Delete**)
- 9. The book will delete from your Kindle and say "[Loan Ended]" next to the title

To Delete the book and 'Loan Ended' notice from your Kindle

- 1. Go to the main content menu of your Kindle
- 2. When you return a book (or a books is automatically returned) your Kindle will say *[Loan Ended]* next to the title of the book
- 3. Touch your finger to the Title of the book until a box pops up
- 4. Touch Delete This Notice
- 5. Touch the **Delete** button

Important Information

- Library books will not be delivered through 3G connection, only WiFi, or USB
- Remember, you want to download Kindle eBook Titles!
- You can take out only four eBooks at a time through OverDrive

OverDrive Browsing and Searching Tips

- If you want to look only for books that are *available now*, put your search term in the upper right search box, click the **Available Now** button near the top right
- Click Advanced Search under the Search box to narrow your search by format, awards, publishers, and so forth